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January 2, 2007

Paul Barteni, Manager Daly Ditches Irrigation District 566 Tammany Lane Hamilton, MT. 59840

RE: Project Grant Application - Hedge Diversion Dam

Dear Paul;

Please allow this letter to serve as the BOARD OF RAVALLI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS support for the above named project. We understand the importance of water delivery to the farmers and other irrigators in the Bitterroot Valley, particularly the Hedge Canal which serves approximately 700 users and 5,993 acres.

Sincerely,

Carlotta Grandstaff, Chairman

DALY DITCHES IRRIGATION DISTRICT 566 TAMMANY LANE HAMILTON, MT 59840 (406) 363-1130

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RE: Daly Ditches Irrigation Project Grant Application
Letter of Project Support

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Letter of Project Support

To Whom It May Concern:

Daly Ditches Irrigation District has identified a project that will preserve water use within the irrigation district and is soliciting your support for this project. The intended improvement is to rehabilitate the existing diversion dam. At this time, Daly Ditches is working with Morrison-Maierle, Inc. to prepare a Preliminary Engineering Report to accompany grant applications to fund this project. Your support letter will be included in the grant application.

The Hedge Diversion Dam was constructed in 1908 and is located on the Bitterroot River approximately 9.5 miles south of Hamilton and upstream of the confluence with Lost Horse Creek. More specifically the project is located in Section 11 of Township 4 North, Range 21 West. The respective latitude and longitude of the diversion dam are 46° 07' 05" North and 114° 10' 10" West. This low-head dam functions to divert water into the Hedge Canal which serves approximately 700 users and 5,993 acres.

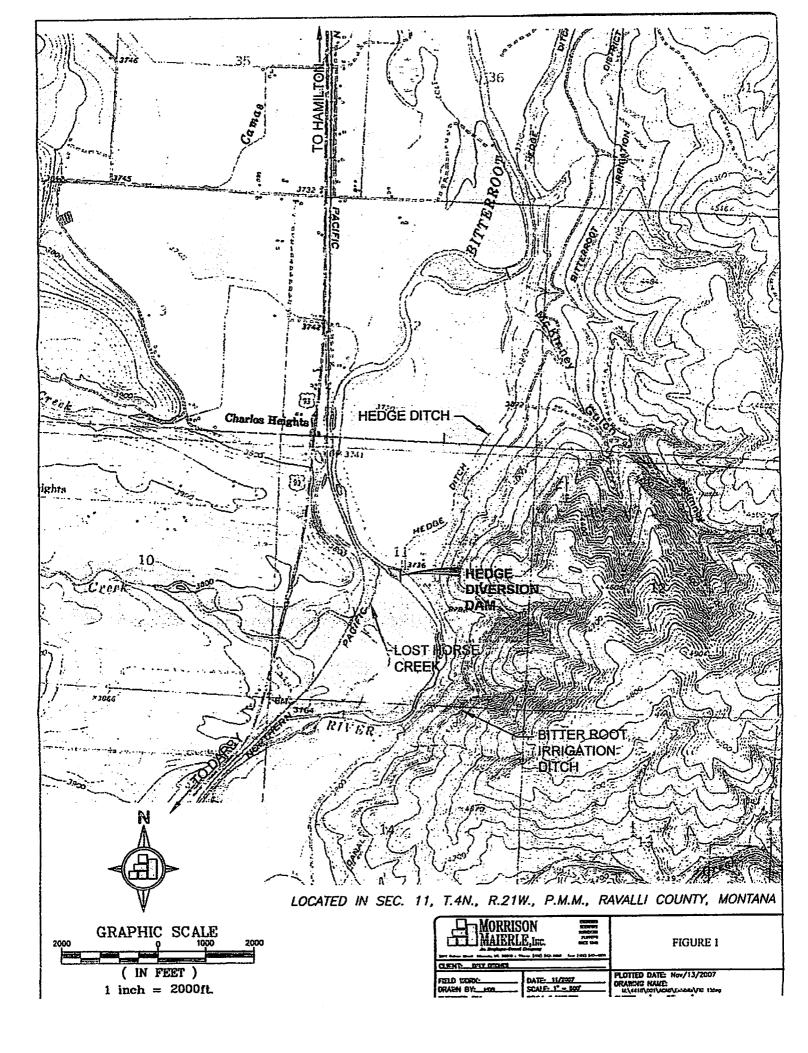
The proposed project is an important part of the Daly Ditches Irrigation System. Rehabilitation of this structure will allow continued water supply to farmers and irrigators in the Bitterroot Valley.

Please provide written comment or simply sign and return this letter demonstrating your support for this project. We respectfully request your input prior to December 31, 2007.

Sincerely,

Paul Barteni, Manager

Daly Ditches Imgation District



| | supports the efforts of the Daly Ditches Imgation District |
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| (Print name or agency) to pursue funding needed to reha | abilitate the Hedge Canal Diversion Dam. |
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